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In Re Application of: Takuo YAMAMOTO et al.

Art Unit: 1652

Application No.: 09/435,770

Conf. No. 5666

Examiner: C. L. Fronda

Filed: November 8, 1999

Washington, D.C.

For: NON-REDUCING SACCHARIDE-FORMING ENZYME, TREHALOSE-RELEASING...

Atty.'s Docket: YAMAMOTO16A

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Date: April 22, 2004

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Transmitted herewith is a [X] Amendment After Final Rejection [] ____ in the above-identified application.

[] Small Entity Status: Applicant(s) claim small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

[XX] No additional fee is required.

[] The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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[XX] Conditional Petition for Extension of Time

If any extension of time for a response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.

[] It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below:

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	[] Third - \$ 475.00	[]	Third	-	\$	950.00
	[] Fourth - \$ 740.00	[]	Fourth	-	\$	1480.00
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of Time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR §1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This blanket authorization does <u>not</u> include patent issue fees under 37 CFR §1.18.

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Honorable Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office 2011 South Clark Place Customer Window, Mail Stop AF Crystal Plaza Two, Lobby, Room 1B03 Arlington, Virginia 22202

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of February 9, 2004, please amend as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

Attachments including copies of Cunningham et al., Protein

Engineering, vol-1, no.4, pp-319-325 (1987), and Holm et al.,

Protein Engineering, vol.3, no,3, pp.181-191 (1990) references

are attached following page 8 of this paper.